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1. Nearly all elements of the 24th Air Army engaged in flying on 28 September 1950. The following units were confirmed at their usual fields:
 - a. One fighter regiment each at Alt-Lönnewitz, Zerbst, Brandenburg, Brandis, Finow, Oranienburg, Peenemünde, Dessau, and Neubrandenburg, and two at Grossenhain.
 - b. A fighter division headquarters at Peenemünde.
 - c. One bomber regiment at Werneuchen or Strausberg, and one at Dresden-Klotzsche.
 - d. One ground-attack regiment each at Döberitz, Schönwalde, and Staaken.
 - e. One transport regiment at Altenburg.
2. About 18 ground-attack planes took off in the Döberitz area and landed at Nordhausen on 28 September.* At least part of this group remained at Nordhausen during the next two days; they practised firing at ground targets and tanks on 30 September.
3. Five planes, believed to be courier planes, took off at Sagan (B26; in Lower Silesia), flew over Deutsch-Krone (R 84), and landed in the vicinity of Falkenburg (E 48). (These towns are in the Polish-administered area).
4. Flying was restricted on 29 September by bad weather. The following regiments were confirmed at their previous fields:
 - a. One fighter regiment each at Alt-Lönnewitz, Brandenburg, Zerbst, and Brandis.
 - b. One bomber regiment at Klotzsche.
5. On 30 September the following fighter regiments were observed at their usual fields:
 - a. One fighter regiment each at Alt-Lönnewitz, Brandenburg, Zerbst, and Grossenhain.

A ground-attack unit was observed at Jüterbog, in addition to the unit at Nordhausen mentioned above (para. 2).

* Comment: It had previously been reported that the airfield at Nordhausen was ploughed up early in 1950. It is considered possible that an emergency field has been established there for the duration of the air exercises.

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